

<b>U.S. Gross Domestic Product- GDP (SAAR)</b>	Period	Level (billions, 2005 chained dollars)	Percent change from prior quarter (AR)	Percent change from year- ago quarter
	Q2 2012 (Third Estimate)	13,548.5	1.3	2.1

<b>U.S. Federal Funds Target Rate</b>	Period	Level (percent)	Level in year-ago period
	October 3, 2012	0 to 0.25	0 to 0.25

<b>Total Nonagricultural Employment (SA)</b>	Period	Level (thousands of jobs)	Percent change from prior month (AR)	Percent change from year- ago month
United States	August 2012	133,300	0.9	1.4
New England		6,845.5	-2.7	0.6
Rhode Island		456.9	2.9	-0.6
Providence-Fall River-Warwick NECTA (NSA)*		543.0	*	0.0

<b>Unemployment Rate (SA)</b>	Period	Level (percent)	Level in prior month	Level in year-ago month
United States	August 2012	8.1	8.3	9.1
New England		7.3	7.1	7.8
Rhode Island		10.7	10.8	11.4
Providence-Fall River-Warwick NECTA		10.6	10.7	11.3

<b>Average Weekly Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance (SA)</b>	Period	Level (thousands)	Percent change from year- ago month
United States	August 2012	370,000	-9.4
New England		18,094	-15.6
Rhode Island		1,654	-19.0

<b>Total Personal Income (SAAR)</b>	Period	Level (millions of dollars)	Percent change from prior quarter (AR)	Percent change from year- ago quarter
United States	Q2 2012	13,370,344	4.1	3.3
New England		765,105	4.2	2.4
Rhode Island		47,465	4	2.3

<b>Employer Cost Index- ECI (NSA)</b>	Period	Level (index, Q4 1995=100)	Percent change from prior period (AR)	Percent change from year- ago period
United States	Q2 2012	116.4	2.4	1.8
New England		117.4	1.7	1.2

<b>Consumer Price Index- CPI (NSA)</b>	Period	Level (index, 1982- 84=100)	Percent change from prior period (AR)	Percent change from year- ago period
United States	August 2012	230.4	6.9	1.7
Boston (New England)	July 2012	246.3	-0.6	0.8

The CPI for the Boston area is published every other month and covers parts of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire.

<b>Home Price Index (NSA)</b>	Period	Level (index, Q1 1980=100; Q1 1995=100 for metro areas)	Percent change from prior quarter (AR)	Percent change from year-ago quarter
United States	Q2 2012	311.8	-2.8	-0.6
New England		502.2	-4.1	-1.0
Rhode Island		444.3	-8.1	-2.9
Providence-Fall River-Warwick MSA		193.9	-6.1	-2.1

<b>Total Housing Permits</b>	Period	Level (units authorized)	Percent change from year-ago month
United States (SA)	August 2012	67,000	24.1
New England (SA)		2,540	91.1
Rhode Island (SA)		97	37.9
Providence-New Bedford-Fall River (NSA)		115	13.9

<b>Total Merchandise Exports (NSA)</b>	Period	Level (millions of dollars)	Percent change from year-ago quarter
United States	Q2 2012	391,793	5.6
New England		13,862	-10.7
Rhode Island		638	5.3

\*Seasonally adjusted data are not available for this NECTA. Month-to-month comparisons are not meaningful.

**Sources:**

Bureau of Economic Analysis (GDP, Income)  
 Bureau of Labor Statistics (Employment, Unemployment, CPI, ECI)  
 Census Bureau (Housing Permits)  
 Department of Labor (Claims for Unemployment Insurance)  
 Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Federal Funds Rate)  
 Federal Housing Finance Agency (Home Price Index)  
 World Institute for Strategic Economic Research (Exports)

**Notes:**

AR= annual rate  
 SA= seasonally adjusted  
 NSA= not seasonally adjusted  
 SAAR= seasonally adjusted at an annual rate  
 NA= not available